

# KANSAS CITY REGION TOP OPENINGS

## 2023-2025

The Kansas City Region is projected to have over 72,000 total job openings each year between 2023 and 2025. Total openings include growth openings, exit openings, and transfer openings. Growth openings are the result of an occupation growing between the base year and the projected year. Exit openings occur when a worker leaves the workforce entirely, such as retirement. Transfer openings occur when a worker leaves their occupation for a different one.

Of the top 20 occupations in the Kansas City Region with the most total openings, five are in the *Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations* group and three are in each of the *Transportation and Material Moving Occupations* group and *Office and Administrative Support Occupations* group. Average wage for all occupations in 2022 was \$60,954 in the Kansas City Region.

### TOP JOB OPENINGS

Occupation	2023 Estimated Employment	2025 Projected Employment	Exit Openings	Transfer Openings	Growth Openings	Total Annual Openings	Average Annual Wage
Cashiers	12,958	13,095	1,253	1,262	68	<b>2,583</b>	\$29,973
Stockers and Order Fillers	12,696	13,366	810	1,276	335	<b>2,421</b>	\$38,946
Retail Salespersons	13,287	13,814	890	1,073	264	<b>2,227</b>	\$36,944
Home Health and Personal Care Aides	12,719	13,290	1,040	868	286	<b>2,194</b>	\$32,212
Waiters and Waitresses	10,149	10,287	879	1,234	69	<b>2,182</b>	\$36,540
Fast Food and Counter Workers	7,874	8,071	880	940	98	<b>1,918</b>	\$29,974
Cooks, Restaurant	8,086	8,602	569	680	258	<b>1,507</b>	\$33,732
General and Operations Managers	15,990	16,313	402	868	162	<b>1,432</b>	\$114,436
Office Clerks, General	10,818	10,827	654	636	4	<b>1,294</b>	\$46,023
Customer Service Representatives	9,085	9,047	506	711	(19)	<b>1,198</b>	\$43,981
Miscellaneous Assemblers and Fabricators	9,806	9,990	420	626	92	<b>1,138</b>	\$51,403
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	7,949	7,958	554	553	4	<b>1,111</b>	\$36,093
Secretaries and Admin. Asst., Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	10,854	10,669	626	566	(92)	<b>1,100</b>	\$42,677
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	8,169	8,234	392	666	32	<b>1,090</b>	\$40,221
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	8,925	9,090	408	528	82	<b>1,018</b>	\$56,415
Registered Nurses	14,949	15,285	502	311	168	<b>981</b>	\$80,664
Cooks, Fast Food	6,628	6,583	450	538	(22)	<b>966</b>	\$29,564
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers	4,997	5,147	256	486	75	<b>817</b>	\$41,530
Nursing Assistants	4,891	4,976	312	386	42	<b>740</b>	\$37,130
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	6,881	6,982	306	316	50	<b>672</b>	\$30,908



Occupations with fewer than 50 annual openings are omitted.  
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